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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: CAMBODIAN AND VIETNAMESE PARTICIPATION IN ADB

REF: STATE 134538

1. ECON COUNSELOR DISCUSSED ISSUE OF ADB RELATIONS
WITH CAMBODIA/VIETNAM ON JUNE 13 WITH GILL AND
ROBERTSON OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES DIVISION,
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE, OUTLINED U.S.-FAVORED APPROACH
PER PARA 3 REFTTEL, AND ASKED FOR GOC SUPPORT.

2. GILL AGREED THAT RESTRICTION ACTION BY CONGRESS
WOULD BE IN NO ONE'S INTEREST. HE SAID HE WOULD HAVE
TO CONSULT WITHIN GOC BEFORE GIVING DEFINITIVE REPLY
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TO U.S. REQUEST FOR SUPPORT BUT PERSONALLY SAW

NO DIFFICULTY WITH SUGGESTION THAT COUNTRIES
DEMONSTRATE CAPACITY AND WILLINGNESS TO FULFILL
OBLIGATIONS ALONG LINES SUGGESTED BY U.S.,
WHICH REFLECTS STANDARD CANADIAN VIEW ON PARTICIPATION
IN INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. HE
DECLINED TO COMMENT ON QUESTION OF WHETHER ADB SHOULD
OR SHOULD NOT TAKE INITIATIVE SINCE HE NOT PREVIOUSLY
AWARE THAT ANYONE HAD SUGGESTED ADB SHOULD SEEK
TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITH CAMBODIA AND VIETNAM.

3. GILL SAID HE WILL GIVE QUESTION IMMEDIATE
ATTENTION BUT IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE ADDITIONAL
INFO ON:

A. WHEN AND WHERE U.S. EXPECTS QUESTION TO ARISE
IN ADB. (HE WONDERED WHO HAD BEEN PRESSING ADB
MANAGEMENT ON THIS AND WHETHER QUESTION MIGHT
COME UP AT ADB REPLENISHMENT MEETING IN GENEVA IN
LATE JUNE, OR, IF POSTPONED, IN JULY.);

B. WHO WILL RAISE IT;

C. HOW U.S. WOULD EXPECT GOC TO REGISTER ITS SUPPORT.
(HE NOTED THERE MIGHT BE TWO ASPECTS OF SUPPORT,
ONE RELATING TO INFLUENCING ADB ACTION AND THE
OTHER TO FORESTALLING CONGRESSIONAL RESTRICTIONS.
HE RECALLED THAT IN RECENT SOMEWHAT SIMILAR SITUATION
INVOLVING INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK GOC HAD
WRITTEN LETTER TO IDB WHICH STRENGTHENED U.S.
ADMINISTRATION'S HAND WITH CONGRESS).

4. IN CONCLUSION GILL REITERATED THAT HIS PRELIMINARY
REACTION TO U.S. TECHNICAL ARGUMENTS WAS FAVORABLE.
HE SAID HE WOULD TRY TO GIVE US MORE CONSIDERED
POSITION ASAP.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE
RECEIVING AS MUCH INFO AS POSSIBLE ON POINTS RAISED
IN PARA 3 ABOVE, PARTICULARLY ON HOW USG SEES SCENARIO
UNFOLDING. IF WE CAN PROVIDE SOME ANSWERS TO GILL
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PROMPTLY IT MAY HELP IN OBTAINING DESIRED GOC
ASSURANCE OF SUPPORT. PORTER

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